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Legislative Council Question - Health Visitors - Number employed in this Province - Papers - Recorded.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL QUESTION NO. 170 (UNSTARRED).

(By Sri. A. Govindacharya, M.L.C.).

Will the Hon'ble the Minister for Public Health, be pleased to state:-

(a) How many Health Visitors are there in the Province and how many are employed in each district;

(b) How many centres, within what radius, are entrusted to each Health Visitor;

(c) Whether it is a fact that the minimum qualification for undergoing Health Visitors training in 1940 has been S.S.L.C. passed or appearing for S.S.L.C;

(d) Whether it is a fact that S.S.L.C. qualifications is now reduced to III form passed generally for Health Visitors training;

(e) What has been the starting salary of a Health Visitor under the old scheme and that under the present scheme under local boards and municipalities and in Government services respectively;

(f) why there has been a difference in the starting pay of Health Visitors between the employees of Local Bodies and those in Government service?

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Answer.

(a) 103 Health Visitors including 35 in the Corporation are employed in the Province. The list showing the number employed in each district is annexed. In addition, there are six Health Visitors employed in the Medical Department.

(b) Generally one centre and occasionally two centres are given to each Health Visitor. The radius of each centre in rural areas is 2 to 5 miles.

(c) The minimum educational qualification for admission for Health Visitor's Training has been S.S.L.C. throughout.

(d) No. The Director of Public Health, is, however, empowered to grant exemption to candidates from the required educational qualification if they have served as midwives in Maternity and Child Welfare schemes under District Boards and Municipalities and in the Poonamallee Health Unit;

(e) The old scale of pay for Health Visitors in the Public Health Department was Rs. 50-3/2-80 and the revised scale for them is Rs. 60-2-100. The scale of pay applies to employment both under Government and local authorities.

(f) There is no difference as far as the Public Health Department is concerned. In the Government, Medical Department, Health Visitors are, however, paid Rs. 85-5-150 as they are treated on a par with nurses and as their duties are different from those of the Health Visitors in the Public Health Department.

(The above answer has been approved by the Hon'ble Sri. A.B. Shetty, Minister for Education).

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ANNEXURE.

(a) of Question No. 170.

No.	Names of Districts.	Number of Health Visitors employ	
		Rural.	Urban.
1.	Anantapur.	1	1
2.	Chingleput.	.	.
3.	Health Unit (Government).	4	.
4.	Coimbatore.	2	6
5.	Chittoor.	1	1
6.	Cuddapah.	.	1
7.	Godavari East.	1	1
8.	Godavari West.	2	0
9.	Guntur.	.	1
10.	Kistna.	2	4
11.	Kurnool.	1	1
12.	Madurai.	1	7
13.	Malabar.	.	2
14.	Nilgiris, The.	.	2
15.	North Arcot.	1	1
16.	Ramnad.	1	2
17.	Salem.	.	3
18.	South Arcot.	.	.
19.	South Kanara.	.	1
20.	Tanjore.	4	1
21.	Tinnevelly.	1	2
22.	Tiruchirapalli.	.	4
23.	Vijayapatam.	.	2
24.	Nellore.	.	.
25.	Madras (Corporation).	.	35.
26.	Bellary .	.	3
	Total.	22	81.

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The question was answered on 22.4.1949. It was unstarred. No action is called for. The papers may be recorded.

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